

XXIV. SPRINKLER SHOP DRAWINGS, DIVISION OF FIRE PREVENTION/CODES  
ENFORCEMENT/PLANS REVIEW/POLICY FOR REVIEW OF

Pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 62-32-112. A registered fire protection sprinkler system contractor, through its responsible managing employee, may submit shop drawings of proposed fire protection sprinkler system installations in projects whose construction plans and specifications are subject to review by the Division. After receipt of the shop drawings, the Division must review the drawings and may approve or disapprove the shop drawings.

The above-cited section is not intended to circumvent the requirement for plans prepared and sealed by registered architects and/or engineers where appropriate; rather, the section is intended to allow the sprinkler system contractor to submit shop drawings to provide for the installation of the sprinkler systems. These drawings should be coordinated with the architect or engineer of record. The architect or engineer of record should always provide the design intent of the system and should review and approve or disapprove the shop drawings submitted by the sprinkler system contractor. Attached and incorporated herein by reference is a copy of the policy of the Tennessee State Board of Architectural and Engineering Examiners which sets forth the architect's or engineer's design responsibilities concerning sprinkler drawings. The goal is for the design drawings to provide sufficient information to indicate compliance with applicable building codes and ensure that the builder or installing contractor will not be required to make design decisions. The registered architect or engineer should also provide design from the point of service that point at which the system is dedicated solely to fire protection to the building.

To that end, the Division of Fire Prevention will accept shop drawings submitted by sprinkler system contractors. It will review such shop drawings and shall require the seal of a registered architect or engineer where engineering design is involved, as authorized by Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 62-32-112.

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